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Dade County...

## **EXPECT NIGHT LANE CLOSURES ON I-24**

**WHAT:** Weather permitting; Georgia DOT contractors will work this week on installing temporary concrete barrier walls on the west and eastbound lanes of I-24 at the bridge on State Route 299 in Dade County. This work will require single lane closure on the westbound lanes Monday night from 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. Work will continue Tuesday and Wednesday on the eastbound lanes. This will require single lane closures every night from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. Motorists should expect delays while crews work to install the concrete barrier on the interstate.

This operation is part of a project to replace the existing structurally deficient State Route (SR) 299 bridge over Interstate 24 (I-24) in Dade County, Georgia. This overpass is approximately 0.6 miles south of the Georgia/Tennessee state line at the I-24 Exit 169. The bridge will be replaced on the existing alignment using Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) techniques. ABC will allow the existing bridge removal and new bridge installation to occur within a time period of approximately 36 hours, minimizing the project's impact on the heavy traffic on I-24 at that location.

WHEN: Monday, November 7; and Tuesday and Wednesday, November 8 and 9, 2016

**WHERE:** West and eastbound lanes between mile posts 3 and 4 in Dade County

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511, visit 511ga.org or download the Georgia 511 app for updated information about this or any other construction or maintenance project/operation on our interstates and state routes. Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-eight Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones; For Everyone. For more information on the Department of Transportation, visit <a href="https://www.dot.ga.gov">https://www.dot.ga.gov</a>. You also may like us on (<a href="www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT-Northwest">www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT-Northwest</a>) and <a href="www.fwitter.com/GDOTNW">Twitter.com/GDOTNW</a>).

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